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Submitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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NOISE ABATEMENT FILTER FOR FUEL TANKS

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- ☒ six (6) sheets of drawing, - formal, one copy
- ☐ An assignment of the invention to \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ A certified copy of a \_\_\_\_\_ application
- ☐ An associate power of attorney
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Respectfully submitted,

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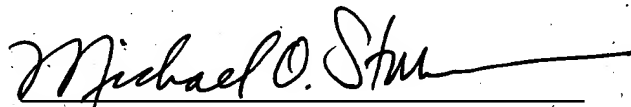
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For: **NOISE ABATEMENT FILTER  
FOR FUEL TANKS**

Dear Sir:

In order to aid the Patent Office in examination of the above identified patent application, the following material information disclosure statement is submitted. The list of patents, publications, or other information is the closest material information I am aware of. Attached to the list is a copy of each item or each item's relevant parts, if available. This statement should not be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that no better art exists.

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